GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SHIPPING
LOK SABHA

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Water Tourism Facilities
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the locations where water tourism facilities are available in the country, State/ UT-wise;
(b) whether the Government proposes to include Varanasi in the list of water tourism locations;
(c) if so, the details thereof; and
(d) the time by which it is likely to be done?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING
(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a)to(d):Government of India funds various projects for development of tourism across the country including water tourism facilities of which no separate list is maintained.

Inland Waterways Authority of India (IWAI) is responsible for development and regularization of those inland waterways which have been declared as National Waterways by an Act of the Parliament. River cruises, by private operators have been operated on National Waterway-1(Haldia to Allahabad) and National Waterway-2 (Dhubri to Sadiya). River tourism on National Waterway-3 (West Coast Canal, Champakara and Udyogmandal Canal) is popular among domestic and foreign tourist.

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